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**EL DORADO
Branch 23**

ANNUAL HISTORY

2010

**Prepared by
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GENERAL INFORMATION

Branch meetings are held at Carmichael Elks Lodge, 5631 Cypress Avenue in Carmichael, California. Branch 23 meets on the second Wednesday of each month. The Executive Committee meets at 10:15AM and the general meeting begins at noon. At the monthly meetings, members sign up for golf tournaments to be held in the following weeks and for travel to sporting events, stage presentations and other recreational destinations. Most meetings also include a guest speaker, with their presentations covering a variety of subjects of interest to the members.

THE EXECUTIVE BOARD FOR 2010

OFFICERS:

BIG SIR:	Art Pancheri	LITTLE SIR:	Darrell Schneider
SECRETARY:	Jim Woodstrom	ASSISTANT:	Vacant
TREASURER:	Fritz Walgenbach	ASSISTANT:	Ray Barsch

DIRECTORS:

Bill Beeman	Paul Joyce	Dick Fuller
Jim Coviello	Dick LeBeau	Carroll Hamon

COMMITTEE CHAIRMEN:

ATTENDANCE:	Dave Nemzek	ASSISTANT	Vacant
MEMBERSHIP:	Jim Reifschneider	ASSISTANT	John Shupe
TRAVEL	Dale Martin (Br33)		
SUNSHINE	Chris Christopherson		
BOWLING	Frank Semans		
EDITOR	Ray Zelinski	ASSISTANT	Vacant
HISTORIAN	Bill Sutherland		
GOLF (18 HOLE)	Cass Mastalski	ASSISTANTS:	Nick DiMuccio, Tam LeFebure, Jim DeLong, Bob Mellberg, Bill Sutherland, Stan Holmes, John Zian, Bill LeDoux
GOLF (9 HOLE)	Ed Campini	ASSISTANTS:	Russ Korhonen, Dick Oxford, George Hood, Dick LeBeau, Bill Sutherland

MONTHLY PUBLICATION: Our monthly publication, edited by SIR Ray Zelinski is called "The Nugget". It informs the members of news concerning: officers, meeting

information, Big SIR report, Little SIR scheduled speakers or program notes, membership status, bowling and golf information, sunshine report, and financial figures.

MEMBERSHIP: Chairman Sir Jim Reifschneider reported that the 2010 membership started with 183 active members, eight inactive members, four Honorary Lifetime members, and two Senior Honorary Lifetime members. At the end of the year, we had 176 active members, 12 inactive members, two Senior Honorary Lifetime members, and four Honorary Lifetime members. We no longer maintain a membership waiting list. Changes to the membership roles for 2010 included 11 new members, eight members passed away during the year, seven members resigned, and five members moved to the inactive roles.

The new members were:

Mike Catino (Jan)	Scott Kenney (Feb)	David Leatherby (Feb)
Reggie Gillespie (Mar)	Greg Hood (June)	Les Sanders (Aug)
Leonard Griffin (Sep)	John Mahoney (Sep)	Herb Warne (Oct)
Wayne Hippenstiel (Oct)	Al Rogel (Nov)	

The deceased members were:

Orville Oie (1/6/2010)	Gus Schlick (4/6/2010)
Wayne Fuller (4/24/2010)	Don Alden (6/14/2010)
Tom Logan (6/22/2010)	Tom Becker (9/19/2010)
Walter White (10/25/2010)	Jim Moese (12-17-2010)

The members who resigned were:

Paul Granquist (May)	Doug Bryant (June)	Floyd Hoglen (June)
Gary Miller (June)	Bruce Boerlin (July)	Tom Harrington (July)
Gil Sanguinetti (Dec)		

The members who moved to the inactive roles were:

Fred Ausmus (June)	Wilbur Holtzclaw (June)	Ted Nicolos (June)
John Owens (June)	Jim Cutright (Oct)	

TREASURER REPORT: Treasurer Sir Fritz Walgenbach reported the following:

Funds Available	January 1, 2010	January 1, 2011
Checking Account	\$3,288.00	\$2754.91
Savings Account	2,226.10	2239.50
Petty Cash Account	300.00	300.00
Total Funds Available	\$5,814.10	\$5294.41

ATTENDANCE: Chairman Sir Dave Nemzek reported that the monthly meeting attendance averaged 68.6% during 2010. The most attended meeting was March, with 135 members attending, which was 72.6% of our total at that time. The least attended meeting was November, with 110 members, equal to 63%.

SUNSHINE: The Sunshine chairman, Sir Chris Christopherson, reported receiving numerous contacts regarding illnesses, hospitalizations, and the deaths of current and past members. Monthly reports were made in the "Nugget" and announced at monthly meetings. "GET WELL" cards were mailed to those that were ill and sympathy cards were mailed to the families of deceased members.

TRAVEL: The following trips were made available to Branch 23 members by Sir Dale Martin, Travel Chairman for Branch 33. Dale Martin has announced that he will be stepping down from this position in 2011. A replacement travel chairman has not been named.

Monthly	Silver Legacy, Reno
February	The Four Aces @ Mondavi Center, UC Davis
April	Springtime in Yosemite
August	Walking SIRs @ Paradise Beach, American River
October	Presidio of San Francisco
November	Spirit of Christmas @ El Dorado Hotel, Reno

BOWLING: The SIR Bowling League was divided into 4 Divisions, 2 of 7 teams and 2 of 8 teams, with 4 men on each team for a total of 120 bowlers. Branch 23 had 17 bowlers on 8 teams @ Alley Oops, Groovers, Dream Team, F.O.F., Marauders, Team 29, Pin Splitters, and Strikers. It would be desirable if more of the Branch 23 bowlers joined together for 4 or 3 man teams next season. This year four teams had only one Branch 23 representative.

Team 29 (Ron White), and the Strikers (Reggie Gillespie) finished second in their respective Divisions. This was the best for Branch 23 this season.

Branch 23 members received the following awards at the end of the season:

Team Awards:

Groovers	Hi Scratch Game Div. 2
Alley Oops	Hi Scratch Series Div. 3
Strikers	Hi Scratch Series Div. 4
Marauders	Hi Handicap Game Div 4

Individual Awards:

Darrell Schneider	Hi Handicap Game Div 3
Horace Conrad	Hi Scratch Series 80+ years old
Ed Campini	Hi Handicap Game 80+ years old
Ed Campini	Most Games +70 over average (5 games): 80+ years old

The SIR Bowling League is open to all SIR members 55 or older and is always looking for new bowlers. We bowl once a week at Country Club Lanes from September to April.

The 2010 season began Tuesday, September 7, 2010. Contact Frank Semans (944-2313), or the League Secretary, Joe Dahilig (369-1933), to sign up individually or as part of a team.

Frank Semans ó Chairman 2009/ 2010

GOLF:

General: Our branch participates with two separate groups; an 18-hole and a 9-hole group. All members are allowed to play in either or both groups. Tournaments are scheduled so there is no conflict of tournament dates.

9 Hole League: The chairman and statistician is Ed Campini, and the tournament director is Russ Korhonen. The 9 hole league is made possible by the assistance of Dick Oxford, treasurer, George Hood and Dick LeBeau, assistant tournament directors, and Bill Sutherland, handicapper. Also, Tam LeFebure assisted Russ Korhonen by publishing the 9 hole information on the 18 hole league website. There were 21 scheduled tournaments, and one was cancelled due to weather. The 9 holerø awards banquet was held at the Buggy Whip Restaurant, November 5, 2010. The top ten point winners and the flight winners for each tournament are shown in the following tables.

9 HOLE GOLF LEAGUE - 2010		
TOP TEN POINT WINNERS		
POSITION	NAME	POINTS
1	Russ Korhonen	44
2	Ed Campini	41
3	Dale Isaac	34
4	Bill Sutherland	33
T5	Nick DiMuccio	32
T5	Sam Scarlett	32
T7	Paul Joyce	31
T7	Wayne Parsell	31
9	Bob Mellberg	29
T10	Frank Abel	28
T10	Sam Osver	28
T10	Dick Oxford	28
T10	Ray Zelinski	28

SIR BRANCH 23 - 9 HOLE GOLF LEAGUE - 2010					
TOURNAMENT FLIGHT WINNERS					
Tournament Number	Course	1st Flight	2nd Flight	3rd Flight	4th Flight
1	Cordova	Cancelled - Rain			
2	Arcade Creek - Front	Bill Sutherland	Tom Bogetich	Gail Jesswein	
3	Antelope Greens	Paul Joyce	Bill LeDoux	Ed Hodan	Jim Otto
4	Davis	Cass Masalski	Russ Korhonen	Bill Scofield	
5	Bing Maloney Exec	Mike Catino	Jim LaBarge	Ray Zelinski	
6	Arcade Creek - Back	Bill Sutherland	Russ Korhonen	Wayne Morehead	
7	Black Oak	Bill Sutherland	Don Kehoe	Ed Campini	
8	Sierra Pines	Dale Isaac	Sam Scarlett	Ed Campini	
9	Arcade Creek - Front	Tam LeFebure	Sam Scarlett	John Zian	
10	Davis	Paul Joyce	Don Kehoe	Frank Heggli	
11	Wild Wings	Dale Isaac	Jim DeLong	Bill Scofield	
12	Antelope Greens	Frank Semans	David Cattanach	Gail Jesswein	
13	Emerald Lakes	Steve Schmidt	Ed Hodan	Dick LeBeau	
14	Sierra Pines	Chris Christopherson	Dick Oxford	Clark Eddy	
15	Davis	Bob Mellberg	George Hood	Dick LeBeau	
16	Arcade Creek - Back	Paul Joyce	David Leatherby	Bob Stakolich	Gail Jesswein
17	Indian Creek	Tam LeFebure	Russ Korhonen	Scott Kenney	
18	Wild Wings	Sam Osver	Russ Korhonen		
19	Sierra Pines	Bill Sutherland	Dick Oxford		
20	Arcade Creek - Front, Best Ball	Neil Fairhurst Joe Rodriguez	Bob Stakolich Bill Sutherland	Dave Salminen Russ Korhonen	Clark Eddy Ray Zelinski
21	Cordova	Dale Isaac	Bob Mellberg	Gail Jesswein	

18 Hole League: The chairman is Cass Mastalski and the tournament director is Tam LeFebure. They were assisted by Nick DiMuccio, treasurer, Stan Holmes, assistant tournament director, John Zian and Bill LeDoux, assistant treasurers, Jim DeLong, statistician, Bob Mellberg, starter, and Bill Sutherland, handicapper. There were 23 scheduled tournaments; three were cancelled due to weather, and two of those were rescheduled. The 18-holers awards banquet was held at the Lionsgate Hotel at McClellan Park on December 3, 2010. The top ten point winners and the flight winners for each tournament are shown in the following tables:

18 HOLE GOLF LEAGUE - 2010		
TOP TEN POINT WINNERS		
POSITION	NAME	POINTS
1	Neil Fairhurst	70
2	Buzz Gooch	68
3	Fritz Walgenbach	67
4	David Cattanach	64
5	Howard Frank	63
6	Joe Rodriguez	60
T7	Tom Bogetich	59
T7	Jim DeLong	59
9	Bill Sutherland	55
10	Cass Mastalski	54

SIR BRANCH 23 - 18 HOLE GOLF LEAGUE - 2010					
TOURNAMENT FLIGHT WINNERS					
Tourn. Nr	Course	1st Flight	2nd Flight	3rd Flight	4th Flight
1	Bartley Cavanaugh	Gil Sanguinetti	David Cattnach	Bob Stakolich	Bob Yeager
2	MacKenzie	Bill Sutherland	Jim DeLong	Mike Riley	Howard Frank
3	Bing Maloney	Cancelled - Rain			
4	Ancil Hoffman	Frank Abel	Joe Ryan	Buzz Gooch	
5	Teal Bend	Joe Rodriguez	Joe Ryan	Dick LeBeau	
6	Mather	Rescheduled - Rain			
7	Diamond Oaks	Rescheduled - Rain			
8	River Oaks	Bill Lindsey	Mike Catino	Bob Yeager	
9	Micke Grove	Jim Monteverde	Cass Mastalski	Buzz Gooch	
10	Empire Ranch	Dale Isaac	Paul Askelson	Birge Clark	
11	Sunset Whitney	Cass Mastalski	Marwan Siagian	Birge Clark	
12	Dry Creek	Cass Mastalski	Marwan Siagian	Howard Frank	
13	Cherry Island	Don Kehoe	Frank Semans	Fritz Walgenbach	
14	Wildhawk	Marwan Siagian	David Cattnach	Joe Davis	
15	Mather Scramble	Gary Bradley / Bill LeDoux / Hal Mattson / Howard Frank			
16	Diamond Oaks	Steve Schmidt	Tom Novi	Fritz Walgenbach	Gail Jesswein
6A	Mather	Joe Rodriguez	Jim DeLong	Buzz Gooch	Bill Scofield
17	MacKenzie	Bill Sutherland	Tom Bogetich	Fritz Walgenbach	Roger Neighbours
18	Timber Creek	Paul Joyce	Joe Ryan	Joe Davis	
19	Davis	Marwan Siagian	George Hood	Bill LeDoux	Bill Scofield
20	Wildhawk Best Ball	Ahders /Cattanach	Schmidt / Frank		
7A	Diamond Oaks	Frank Semans	Bill LeDoux	Bob Yeager	Birge Clark
21	Ancil Hoffman	Jim DeLong	Bob Stakolich	Dave Salminen	
22	Bing Maloney	Tam LeFebure	Bill Lindsey	Hal Mattson	
23	Bartley Cavanaugh	Frank Semans	Dave Nemzek	John Zian	

SPEAKERS: Little Sir Art Pancheri invited a variety of speakers and performers for the monthly meetings. The speakers and others are as follows:

January	Scott Hansen	Hanson McClain Investment Firm
February	Big Sir Art Pancheri	Favorite Joke Session (Scheduled speaker cancelled)
March	Creg Hucks	US Corps of Engineers ó Folsom Dam Upgrades
April	Dixie Schneider and Chris Hamer	Maintaining Healthy Attitudes as we Age
May	Jerry Reynolds	Director of Personnel and TV Commentator, Sacramento Kings
June	Bill Roughton	Aerospace Museum of California
July	Dan Vistica Tony Asaro	Chief Financial Officer, Sacramento Rivercats Community Relations, Sacramento Rivercats

August	Star Walton Hurley Pam Williams	Board of Directors President, Sacramento Zoological Society Director of Development, Sacramento Zoo
September	Pat Johnson	Senior Archivist ó Center for Sacramento History
October	Danny Mander	British Army ó WWII, Winston Churchill bodyguard
November	Bud Gardner	Founder ó õHarmonicootsö, Sacramento Area Harmonica Group

Significant Events: Many significant events occurred during the year of 2010 for SIR Branch 23, highlighted by the following discussions.

Honorary Lifetime Members Retention Status: During the summer of 2010, HLM Harry Scott notified the membership chairman that he would have to resign because he could no longer attend luncheons due to a schedule conflict. Senior HLM Henry Coldani said that he would also have to resign because his source of transportation to the luncheons was with Harry Scott. When notified of these pending resignations, the Executive Committee discussed if the resignations were required for these members, as the HLM designations should give them lifetime retention rights. Research of the State Sir manual was conducted, and it was found that HLM members are given the right to retain all their active membership rights until their death, resignation, permanent relocation, or transfer. Accordingly, letters signed by Big Sir Art Pancheri were sent to both members, informing them of these rights, and that their resignations would be cancelled pending further direction from them. In September, their active memberships were reinstated, and we were pleased to see that Harry's schedule conflict has since been removed and they were able to attend the luncheon in November.

Senior SIR Awards: At the March meeting, Senior SIR Awards were given by Area Governor, Neil Mayo to Gene Stainbrook, Mike Catino, Sam Osver, and Bill Pratt. This award is given to members to commemorate their 90th birthday.

Membership Campaigns: The continuing decline of membership in the SIR branches statewide is an issue of major concern. The State SIR organization set a goal for each branch to add at least 10% new members each year. This subject was given a great deal of attention during the year at the Executive Committee meetings, and the following specific new actions were initiated.

Tri-Fold Brochures: The State organization has developed sample brochures to advertise the benefits of SIR membership. Using the same general principle, Nugget Editor, SIR Ray Zelinski, working with Al Williams, Branch 3, developed a similar brochure that provides specific information about Branch 23 in addition to the more general activities that are available collectively by the SIR branches. These brochures have been provided for our members to use in recruiting new members and to advertise our organization.

SIR Cards: Ray Zelinski and Al Williams also developed a business card that provides a summary of the information from the brochure, again with specific reference to Branch 23. These are intended for the members to provide to friends and acquaintances to make them easily aware of the benefits available, and give them direct contact information if they are interested in joining. These cards were provided to the membership at large.

Newspaper Golf Advertisement: Director Paul Joyce contacted various publication sources for possible local advertising for the branch or for the branch golf program. It was basically concluded that most sources were prohibitively expensive, but Paul was able to negotiate a reasonable price with the Sacramento Bee for a one-time golf advertisement in the Wednesday golf section of the Sports Page. The advertisement ran in September, which has generated a fairly significant number of queries about the golf program and SIRs. Several potential members have attended luncheons, and three of those men were inducted as new members in January, 2011. Several more are expected to join in the near future.

Respectfully Submitted

Bill Sutherland, SIR Branch 23 Historian, 2010